

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

MAY 11, 2025

### ORDER OF WORSHIP



Hymns: TLH 36,700,649  
Choir will sing: "God is Always with Me"  
First Reading: Acts 20:17-35  
Epistle: Revelation 7:9-17  
Holy Gospel: John 10:22-30



### WELCOME TO ST MATTHEW!

The Lord richly bless your time here this morning as we receive Christ in the liturgy, hymns, and preaching. There are guest cards and envelopes in the pews. All guests are encouraged to fill these out. The envelopes are provided for guests to contribute during the offering.

**QUESTIONS ABOUT WORSHIP, BAPTISM OR COMMUNION?** Please see the Pastor or the Elder on duty.

There will be one Worship Service at 9:15 A.M.. **Holy Communion will be celebrated the 1st & 3rd Sunday of the month. Please announce your intention to commune by signing the sheet in the narthex.** If you would like to receive communion in your pew please check the box after your name on the announcement sheet.

### HOME VISITS



**Pastor Blaine Jorg** is available to bring Holy Communion to the home of any member desiring a visit. You may also call him, regardless of the time, if any congregation member is in need of pastoral care. This is particularly important when there is a serious illness, an accident, a hospitalization and when death approaches or occurs.

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### Please pray for;

Joan Baroudi	Kelly Benedict
Christiana Brenon	Bob Burton
Patricia Cake	Bill & Pat Doebler
Doug Ellman	Ryan Essenburg
Tom Essenburg	Joy Jenks
Joanne Jenkins	Carol Haak
Mark Haeseler	Marilyn Heigl
Dale Heiser	Hannah Koepsell
Sharon Lemke	Florence Lindaman
Doris Matheis	Phil Moldenhauer
Jason Painter	Renee Patton
Mary Smith	Dennis & Eileen Tischler
Karen Tischler	Jeremy Trombley
Ron Waliszewski	Tami and Tim Walters
Curt Webb	Our Shut Ins

### WALKWAY OF MEMORIES

We will be taking orders for our Walkway of Memories Fund. If you would like to commemorate a family, birth, anniversary, or a memory of a loved one by purchasing a brick for \$20.00 fill out the envelope on the table next to the office door, follow the directions on the envelope, enclose your check and place in the basket on the office desk. Any questions, contact the office.

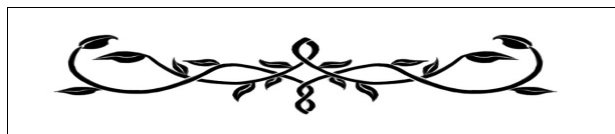
## TODAY IN THE CHURCH YEAR:

### The Good Shepherd Cares for His Sheep

Jesus Christ, the Son of God, came from the Father and became flesh among us in order to rescue us, His sheep. He laid down His life for us and took it up again in order to give us eternal life. By the preaching of His Gospel, He calls His sheep to Himself and keeps them with Him forever. As they hear His voice and follow Him, "they will never perish" (John 10:28), for "no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand" (John 10:29). In the same way, faithful pastors (literally, "shepherds") "care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood" (Acts 20:28), "testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ" (Acts 20:21). Therefore, with all the company of heaven, the Good Shepherd gathers His flock in worship, as they cry: "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" (Rev. 7:10).



The flowers on the altar are in memory of Jordan Benedyczak's passing on May 11th, 12 years ago from family. Please return the vases to church. Thank you.



A donation was made to St Matthew Lutheran Church, Matthew 25 Fund from Lorna Burton in memory of Donald Schimschack.



**THANK YOU** for supporting SARB this pass year. With summer approaching, SARB is finished until the fall. Have an enjoyable and safe summer. We look forward to seeing you when we resume in the fall.

## LAST CALL FOR MEN'S RETREAT

This is the last week to register for the Men's Retreat. Registration is due by May 15th. Current registrations so far represent a wide range of men, aged from 18 to 91, and all walks of life, including church members, pastors, and a seminary student. If you don't want to stay overnight, there is a Saturday only option.

### **\*\*NEXT SUNDAY-VOTERS MEETING\*\***

We will need to approve some roof repairs for the school entranceway and the new Pro Training lease extension. There are copies of the lease agreement on the bulletin table for you to look over. Please plan on attending.

The water has been turned on in the pavilion and at the church.



**Sunday Bible Study will resume in the fall.**

## Friendly Reminders

**Tuesday, May 13th-10:00am-Bible Brunch**  
Please bring your bible and a light lunch. Kristen Jorg will have the lesson and Toni Durick will bring dessert.



**Tuesday, May 13th-6:30pm**

**Thursday, May 15th-40 Days of Life Victory Bash has been postponed.**



**" MIXED BAG MAY"**

The **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD** committee are looking for these items this month; marbles, matchbox cars, markers, maze books, memo pads, memory games. My Little Pony, magnets. or other "M" items you can throw into the "Mix".